

Supplementary Information File

Dissecting the role of Bi and Ba in the catalytic efficiency of VSbBiBa/Al₂O₃ catalysts in propane oxidative dehydrogenation

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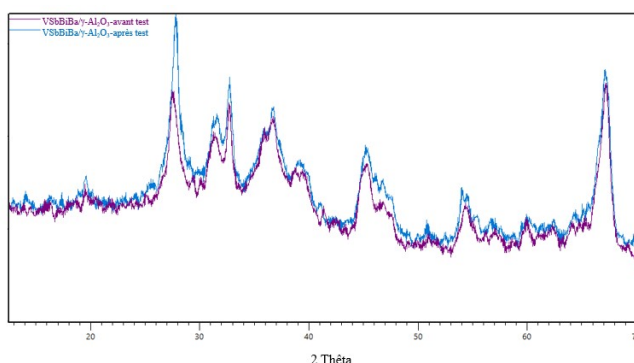


Figure S1 : X-ray diffractogram of the VSbBiBaO/ γ -Al₂O₃ catalyst before (blue) and after 24 h of catalytic test (purple).

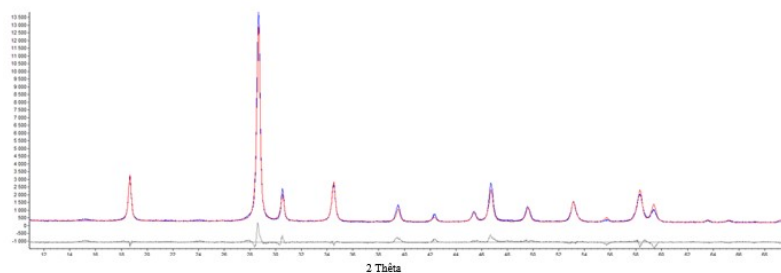


Figure S2 : Final Rietveld plot for the $\text{VSb}_{0.9}\text{Bi}_{0.1}\text{O}_4$ sample with in red the observed data and in blue the computed ones; the bottom grey line corresponds to the difference curve.

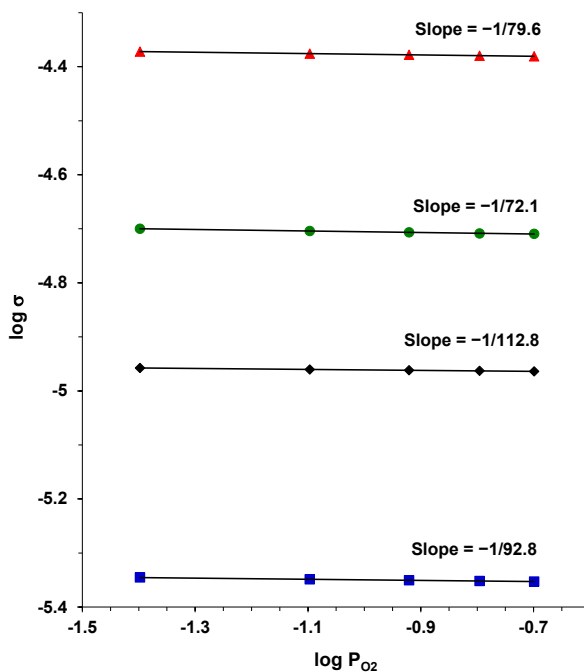


Figure S3 : Variation of σ as a function of the oxygen pressure for VSbO_4 (\blacklozenge) and $\text{VBi}_x\text{Sb}_{1-x}\text{O}_4$ samples with $x = 0.05$ (\circ), 0.08 (\square) and 0.1 (\otimes), at 350°C in a log–log plot (P_{O_2} in atm; σ in $\text{ohm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$).

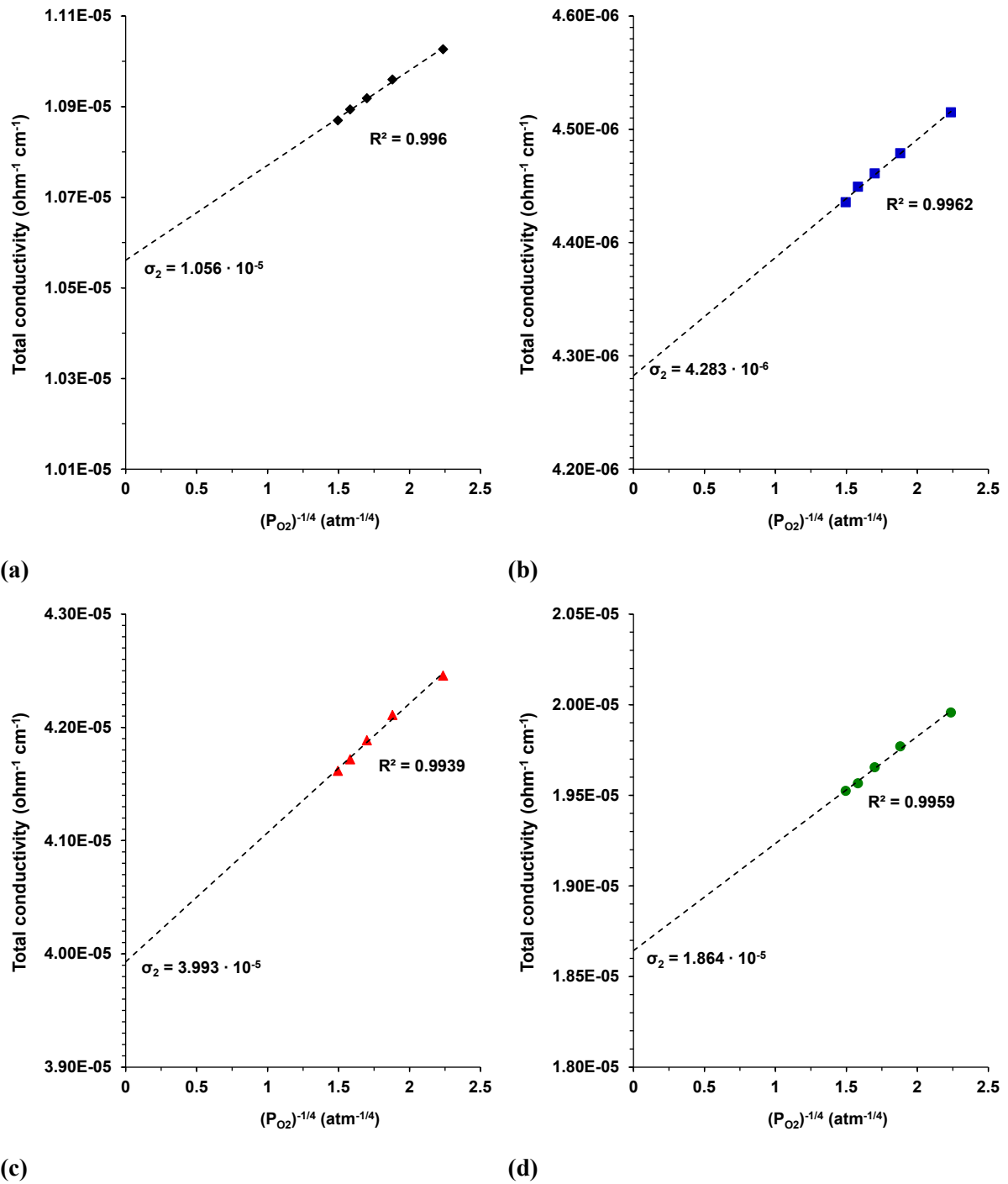


Figure S4 : Total conductivity, σ , as a function of $P_{\text{O}_2}^{-1/4}$ at 350°C for VSbO₄ (a) and VBi_{*x*}Sb_{1-*x*}O₄ mixed oxides with $x = 0.05$ (b), 0.08 (c) and 0.1 (d).

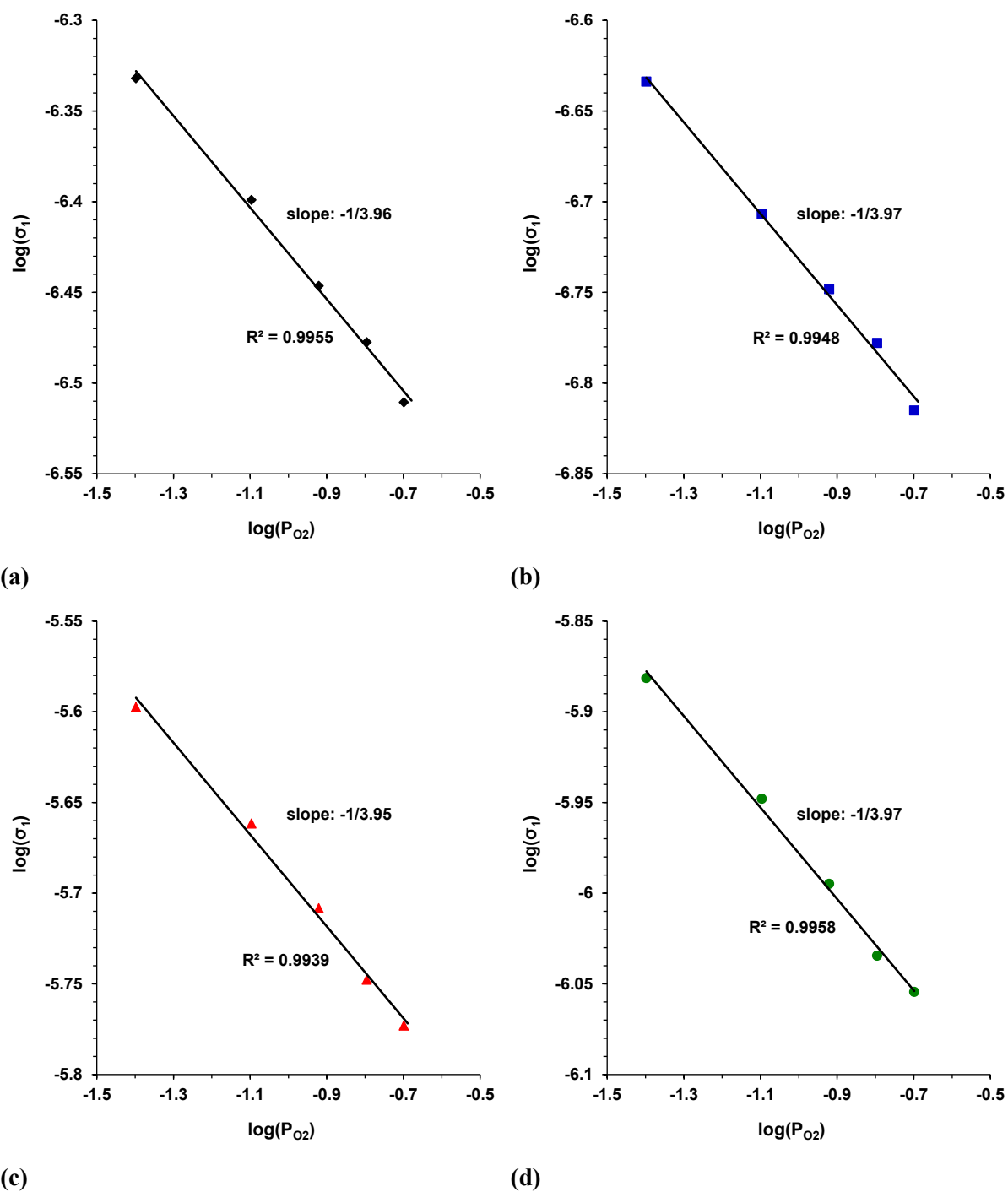


Figure S5 : σ_1 conductivity as a function of the oxygen pressure in a log–log plot at 350 °C for VSbO₄ (a) and VBi_xSb_{1-x}O₄ mixed oxides with $x = 0.05$ (b), 0.08 (c) and 0.1 (d).

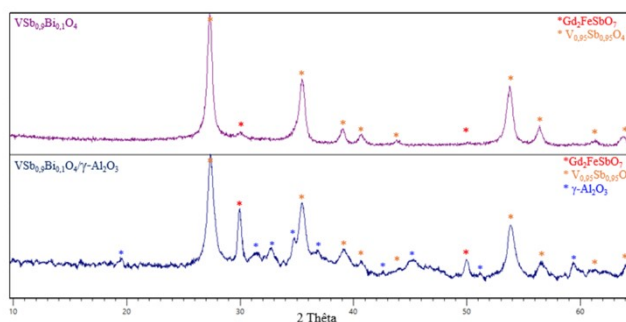


Figure S6 : X-ray diffraction patterns of the catalysts synthesized under microwaves without ($\text{VSb}_{0.9}\text{Bi}_{0.1}\text{O}_4$) and with alumina ($\text{VSb}_{0.9}\text{Bi}_{0.1}\text{O}_4 + \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$).

Table S1: Catalytic properties of the $\text{VSbBiBaO}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ catalyst in the oxidation of propane. Catalyst was first tested at 380°C for comparison with other catalysts (Table 1) and then at 400°C in different conditions in order to avoid total conversion of O_2 . The test was then conducted at 350°C in the same conditions as at 400°C .

Temperature ($^\circ\text{C}$)	Conv. (%)		Selectivity (%)						Yield (%)	
	C_3H_8	O_2	C_3H_6	ACRO	ACRY	Others	CO	CO_2	C_3H_6	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_6 + \text{ACRO}$
350	17	86	21	6	2	1	32	38	3.5	4.6
380	22.7	97	16	3	1	-	42	48	3.6	4.3
400	27	99	15	4	2	-	44	35	4.1	5.1

Notes: Reaction conditions at 350 and 400°C : $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8/\text{O}_2/10\%\text{Ne-He}$ 1/1/8, Total flow = $20 \text{ ml}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$, GHSV= $2000 \text{ ml}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$; reaction conditions at 380°C $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8/\text{O}_2/10\%\text{Ne-He}$ 10/8.7/8, Total flow= $25 \text{ ml}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ GHSV= $2500 \text{ ml}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$. ; ACRO : acrolein, ACRY: acrylic acid, others* : acetic acid and acetaldehyde.